GONZALEZ STATEMENT ON DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL FOR FY2012

Washington, DC –Congressman Charles Gonzalez (TX – 20) issued the following statement after the House of Representatives passed $\frac{\text{H.R. }1540}{\text{H.R. }1540}$, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012:

"Our top priority is our national security and we must provide our brave service men and women with the proper resources and care they need to do their job and to protect the American people. By supporting our troops and their families, protecting our soldiers in harm's way and strengthening our military readiness, we are helping ensure we prevail in our current missions as well as averting any potential attacks.

"While this is not a perfect bill and it has some disturbing provisions, it is the necessary step to ensuring our nation's safety as well as providing support for service members and their families. We stand by our commitment to keeping our nation safe."

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